GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4216
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PRODUCTION OF SALT IN RAJASTHAN
JASWANT SINGH YADAV

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the famine has effected the salt industry adversely in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of salt produced in the country, particularly in Rajasthan, during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government for the revival of famine affected salt industries and to provide employment to the labourers of this industry?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): State-wise details of common salt production in the country since1997 are as under:-

COMMON SALT PRODUCTION (Figures in `000 tonnes)

S.No	State	Salt Production			
		1997	1998	1999	2000 (upto May)
1.	Gujarat	10096.2	8716.8	10048.3	7110.6
2.	Tamil Nadu	2532.9	1565.6	2159.9	353.0
3.	Rajasthan	1031.6	1120.5	1711.1	621.3
4.	Andhra Pradesh	273.4	238.2	278.1	66.7
5.	Maharashtra	200.6	218.7	157.6	150.1
6.	Orissa	63.8	38.4	29.2	7.9
7	West Bengal	5.6	6.8	13.2	0.9
8.	Diu & Daman	27.3	42.7	38.3	48.7
9.	Karnataka	14.0	14.1	12.0	14.1
10.	Himachal Pradesh	3.1	2.4	3.0	1.0
11.	Goa	2.6	0.2	2.0	2.2
	Total	14251.1	11964.4	14452.7	8376.5

(d): Does not arise, in view of answer at (a) above.